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SUBJECT: COOPERATION OF BROOKLYN MUSEUM WITH EAST
GERMAN EXPERT FOR EGYPTIAN-SUDANESE ART
EXHIBIT

REF: UPSTON LETTER OF DECEMBER 12, 1974

1. SUBJECT LETTER INDICATED THAT AN EAST GERMAN EXPERT
ON NUBIAN ARCHAEOLOGY WILL COOPERATE WITH MR. BOTHNER,
BROOKLYN MUSEUM CURATOR OF ANTIQUITIES, IN THE PRO-

DUCTION OF A CATALOG IN CONJUNCTION WITH SUBJECT EX-
HIBIT PLANNED FOR LATE 1976. EAST GERMAN EXPERT (NAME
NOT GIVEN) AND BOTHNER APPARENTLY WILL VISIT PARIS IN
JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 5 TIME FRAME TO DISCUSS POSSI-
BILITY OF UNESCO SPONSORSHIP, BUT NOT IN-
CLUDING FUNDING OF THE EXHIBIT. REFERENCED LETTER
FURTHER INDICATES THAT BOTHNER ADVISED BY US NATIONAL
COMMISSION, WITH DEPARTMENT CLEARANCE, TO CONTACT PERM-
DEL TO DISCUSS "A JOINT US-EAST GERMAN APPROACH TO
UNESCO CULTURAL SECTOR (GERARD BOLLA)." HOWEVER, PERM-
DEL NOT CLEAR AS TO GUIDELINES FOR ITS ACTION IN THIS
MATTER IN VIEW OF REFERENCED LETTER'S CAVEAT THAT WHILE
US ASSISTANCE "AT THIS JUNCTURE AND WITHIN THE FRAME-
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WORK OF UNESCO HEADQUARTERS WOULD APPEAR APPROPRIATE,"

THE UNDEFINED "DETAILS OF OUR INVOLVEMENT WOULD DEPEND ON THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF OUR RELATIONS WITH THE GDR."

2. DELOFF WILL MEET WITH EAST GERMAN DEPUTY PERMREP AND THEIR PERMDEL CULTURAL OFFICER TUESDAY TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS PROJECT WHICH THEY ARE APPARENTLY INTERESTED IN. HOWEVER, PERMDEL WILL LIMIT EXCHANGE WITH EAST GERMANS WITH VIEW TO OBTAINING FURTHER DETAILS AND ESPECIALLY WHAT SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER US-EAST GERMAN ACTION ON THIS PROJECT THAT THE EAST GERMANS HAVE IN MIND.

3. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILED GUIDANCE ON APPROPRIATE EXTENT OF PERMDEL INVOLVEMENT IN MATTER THAT QUITE OBVIOUSLY HAS POLITICAL RAMIFICATIONS.

4. PERMDEL WILL REPORT DETAILS OF JANUARY 14 CONVERSATION WITH EAST GERMANS.

5. PLEASE ADVISE.
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